

Regular Session, 2011

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Army Specialist Christian Joseph Romig.

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to the family of United States Army Specialist Christian Romig upon his death in Operation Enduring Freedom.

WHEREAS, Specialist Romig was a native of Kenner, Louisiana, and a graduate of Grace King High School in 2005; and

WHEREAS, in high school Specialist Romig was a champion wrestler; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Romig being just as strong on the inside as the outside, and having loved the Army since childhood, enlisted in the United States Army in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Romig was assigned to a squadron in the 61st Cavalry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Romig was sent to Afghanistan and served as a cavalry scout, and gunner on ground vehicles; a particularly dangerous job, but Specialist Romig was proud to serve his country in defense of freedom and loved being a soldier; and

WHEREAS, United States Department of Defense Secretary Robert Gates awarded Specialist Romig the Combat Action Badge in November 2010; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Romig's other awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal during his tour in Korea in October 2009, the National Defense Service

1 Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the
2 Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, and the NATO medal; and

3 WHEREAS, Specialist Christian Romig was killed in battle on Wednesday, January 5th,
4 2011, at the age of twenty-four, by an IED while conducting convoy operations in
5 Afghanistan; and

6 WHEREAS, Specialist Romig will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him,
7 and will be forever remembered as a symbol of all that is good in America, and as an
8 example that freedom is never free; and

9 WHEREAS, Specialist Romig is a true American hero who had a big heart, a very
10 witty personality, thrived on making people laugh, and was passionate about everything he
11 did; and

12 WHEREAS, his mother, Rebecca, recalls what an adorable baby Christian was, and
13 how he would play "Army" with his cousin Joey all the time, how he came in first runner-up
14 at the Forest Pageant in Greensburg, Louisiana, in 1992, and how she and Christian's father,
15 Leaman, miss their son more than anything; and

16 WHEREAS, his brothers, Eric, Phillip, and Lee Jr., and sister, Gabrielle, loved being
17 with their brother who always made them laugh and who miss him dearly; and

18 WHEREAS, it is with the deepest regret and most profound sorrow that the Senate
19 learned of the tragic and untimely death of Specialist Romig, and mourns his loss.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
21 does hereby extend its deepest condolences to the family of United States Army Specialist
22 Christian Romig for their great loss and for his faithful service to his country and state
23 during its Global War on Terrorism.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
25 family of Army Specialist Christian Romig.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Danielle Doiron.

DIGEST

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